

Future Land Use

The number of people living in Vance County is expected to substantially increase from its present or 1976 population of 33,800 people to approximately 37,600 people by the year 2000. In order to accommodate this expected increase in population, additional land will be required to meet the expected increase in residential, commercial, industrial, and public and semi-public land use needs. It is the purpose of this chapter to indicate how much land will be needed to meet future demands and to generally indicate where the bulk of this demand will occur.

The previous section on existing land use determined how much land is currently being used and indicated the general location of each type of land use, whether it be residential, commercial, industrial, or semi-public land use. This section will utilize the information provided in the previous section in conjunction with the housing, population, and economic information provided in the other chapters to formulate future land use needs. Following the establishment of Vance County's land use needs, a determination will be made as to where the county's predominate growth should and should not take place. This determination will be presented in map form according to a land use classification system.

Projected Land Use Needs

The projected land use needs from 1977 to the year 2000 were calculated according to the year 2000 population and economic